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# DR. DARWIN ATTACKS THE LAW OF ENERGY

**English Physicist Questions** Principle of Conservation of Energy.

STARTLES SCIENTISTS

Holds Control of Atom Enables Creation or Destruction of Force.

WOMAN TELLS OF SKIES

Miss Cannon, Harvard Astronomer, Finds Universe Not 'Running Down.'

erican Astronomical Society and go aboard. joint meeting in one of the halls of Harvard College to-day. Less than a decade ago the astronomer was a man set apart from the other sciences, touching them only at widely separated points. To-day the astronomer is very deeply dependent on physics and chemistry to supplement mathematics in solving the intricate problems of the stars and planets.

A paper by Arthur Tabor Jones of Smith College dealt with the temperature at which meteors enter the at- was missi mosphere. He said meteors are a little colder than very cold ice water. A paper by Dr. J. Q. Stewart of Princeton told of experiments by Dr. Anderson of the Mount Wilson Observatory which have duplicated in the vapors of electrically exploded wires certain of the conditions which may be supposed to exist in the gases of the sun

and stars.

The outer layers of the sun's atmosphere are so tenuous (far more so than even ordinary air) that the statement that when we look at the sun or a star we are looking at a vacuum seems permissible, he said.

### Speed of Sound Varies.

Dr. McAdis of the Bluehill Observa tory told of measurements of the speed of sound in air. He showed that it varied greatly with many conditions, the

England brought much comment. It dealt with the fundamental phenomena involved in the interaction between radiation and atoms and was an attempt to reconcile the different aspects of radiation with what is known as the quantum theory. The discussion was over so-called fundamental law of

f radiation with what feed radiation with what feed quantum theory. The discussion of was over so-called fundamental law of physics, one supposed to be definitely settled, that of the conservation of energy, holding that energy can neither be created nor destroyed.

Dr. Darwin advanced the bold idea that this principle is not true except as an approximation or an average, that is, snowfall in less than twenty-four hours ranged from six inches in Boston to a foot in Portland, Me.

Timely storm warnings minimized the Portland and other and to that this principle is not true except as an approximation or an average, that is, in the long run as much energy is lost as is created, but if we were only able to control the action of the individual atoms energy might after all be formed or lost. Coming from such high authority the contention caused much comment.

Dr. Ludvik Silberstein of the research laboratory of the Eastman Kodak Company made some additional remarks on the quantum theory.

Dr. Bauer of the Carnegie Institution showed that there were many similarities in the magnetic fields of the earth and Sun.

The experiments of Drs. Nichols and Tear, physicists at the Nela Laboratories, Cleveland, were of great interest. The shortest waves of light known are the X-rays, then ultra violet, and finally the infra ted. A grap in the walking canes got into taxicabs and

Drive to Station.

The shortest waves of light known are the X-rays, then ultra violet, and finally the infra ted. A gap in the series is now filled by the wireless or Herzian waves.

These two physicists have succeeded in obtaining radiation of much shorter wave length, or about a fiftieth of an inch long, by a very sensitive heat encasuring apparatus. They sifted the light from a quartz mercury are light through two thicknesses of black paper and the measured radiation was found to be identical with the longest of the heat waves sent out by hot bodies. This proves the identical character of the light, heat and electric waves.

Dr. Philip Fox of Northwestern University told of new means whereby the atmosphere of the sun may be studied without waiting for an eclipse.

Certain stars which grow fainter and then recover their brightness at regular intervals are actually double, and they revolve around each other once in four and a half daysh. The smaller four and a quarter times as large. These two glant stars are separated by a distance of but fifteen million miles, and they revolve around each other once in four and a half daysh. The smaller star is four times as bright as the larger, but is three times as massive. The eclipse of the stars is only partial.

Woman Astronomer Heard.

Drive to Station.

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The secchd pair of stars revolve around each other in the incredibly small time of nineteen hours and a half. Due to gravitational pull, the stars are not spheres, but lemon shaped figures.

Dr. Dugan added that the time of revolution of the eclipsing star RT Persel had changed. It is now much shorter than in 1905 for the selipsed come almost an hour sooner.

Miss Annie J. Cannon of Harvard College Observatory, without doubt the most distinguished woman astronomer in the world, told of her recent work at the observatory at Arequips, Peru During her stay there she discovered a nova, several long period variables, two gaseous nebulea and an interesting fact showing that certain bright hydrogen lines had appeared in a star which dine star and the bright lines appear at higher values. "This proves" said Miss Cannon, "that the universe is not all running down."

A symposium was held showing the relation of the atom to different phases of physica and astronomy. Dr. Henry Norris Russell of Princeton said by the application of the atomic principles he was able to predict and later confirm that the element, rubidium, would not show are redent in the light coming from the surface of the sun, but in the lower temperatures of the sun, but in the lower temperatures of the sun and later confirm that the element, rubidium, would not appear evident in the light coming from the surface of the sun, but in the lower temperatures of the sun, but in the lower temperatures of the sun, but in the lower temperatures of the sun spots it might be found because the atom would be sending off a different kind of light.

### Chimney Sways in Gale, Putting Hospital in Peril

HE fires of the Willard Parker Hospital, at Sixtleth street and the East River, were ordered banked last night by the Fire Department because one of the ninety foot chimneys over the boiler room had begun to sway in the gale. Capt. Jacob Levy of Hook and Ladder Truck No. said at midnight that so far as he could see there was no danger of the chimney falling, but the fires were banked as a precautionary neasure. As a result the hospital grew cold, and extra blankets were served out to the patients and the

# MAN DIES IN STORM; SCORE ARE INJURED

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by breeches buoy manned by members of the coast guard service. The ship, according to her captain, who, with the members of his crew, is held by the coast guard service pending an investigation of the craft's papers, was bound from Nassau for St. Pierre. Miquelon. The cargo of the vessel may be seized by the Federal Prohibition Enforcement Department when the undercurrents subside sufficiently to permit officers to

subside sufficiently to permit officers to go aboard.

The Lennie Belle, a ten ton schooner, was grounded in Shrewsbury Inlet off Monmouth Beach, Capt. John Dizer of the dry navy rum chaser Hansen reported to Mr. Appleby. The crew described the vessel after she had been wrecked, Her cargo of 150 cases of whisky was seized.

The fourth liquor carrying vessel wrecked was a cabin cruiser bearing tustoms license "K 12090," recorded in the name of Michael Lauria, 444 Shephard avenue, Brooklyn. Customs records show that this license number was issued for a craft to be known as the Marion D. The vessel was washed ashore near Asbury Park. The crew was missing.

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL NEW YORK TIED UP

Buffalo and Rochester Hard Hit by Snow Storm.

Special Dispatch to Tue New York Herall.

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Buffalo, Dec. 28.—Buffelo was storm swept to-day. Sleet, followed by snow and a high wind, tied up all forms of traffic. Mayor Schwab this afternoon declared an emergency situation for twenty-four hours, during which citizens owning automobiles are requested to carry passengers to help the street railway company in getting residents to and from their homes.

Rochester, Dec. 28.—The heaviest snowstorm in many years visited this city to-day. Thirteen and a half inches of snow had falled up to 8 o'clock tonight. The storm slackened greatly after nightfall.

Central New York to-day had the

Baton, Roude, Dec. 28.—Telegrams, telephone messages and letters are coming to Gov. Parker from all over Louisiana and from every State in the Union congratulating him on his success in dealing with the Ku Klux situation n Morehouse Parish.

Citizens of Louisiana are particularly citizens of Louisiana are particularly

Citizens of Louisiana are particularly emphatic in commending the Governor, who, when he found that State funds were not available for the investigation, personally put up the money to foot the lill. The Governor says he has done only what any public spirited official who believed in law and order would have done.

the Governor for his denunciations of the Klan were heard frequently in Ba-ton Rouge and other cities and towns in the State.

# SENATE HONORS-WILSON BIRTHDAY

Sends Ex-President Unanimous Congratulations on His Recovery.

REPLY EXPECTED TO-DAY

His. Message to Body That. Defeated Treaty Awaited With Keen Interest.

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Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.

The Senate, which rejected what
Woodrow Wilson had hoped would be
his crowning werk, the Treaty of Versaffles, did an unusual but gracious
thing to-day in adopting a resolution
congratulating Mr. Wilson on his recovery of health.

This was Mr. Wilson's sixty-sixth
birthday, which he celebrated at his
home in S street as the center of various
tributes. A committee headed by Hamilton Kolt of New York city called to
report the virtual completion of the
Woodrow Wilson Foundation, a fund
of \$1,000,000, the interest from which
will be the basis of awards from time
to time for public service. Several hundred Wilson admirers stood for an
hour in a drenching rain fn the hope
that Mr. Wilson would make a speech.
But he did not. He simply waved to
them as he got into his automobile with
Mrs. Wilson to take a drive.

The Senate resolution was introduced

after nightfall.
Central New York to-day had the heaviest snowfall of the year.

NEW ENGLAND SWEPT
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The first and cables congratulating our former President Woodrow Wilson on his birthday and rapid recovery of the first and rapid recove

"When every member of this body has been forgotten Woodrow Wilson's name will go down in history as the greatest man of this century. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution which I send to the desk be given im-

## CAMPAIGN BEGINS IN NYACK TO BRING ALL INTO CHURCH

Justice Tompkins, Grand Master of Masonic Order in New York, Heads Committee Making General Roundup.

An extensive campaign to induce the citizens of Nyack to attend services and to support the churches of their city was begun yesterday by a committee day evening.

was begun yesterday by a committee of thirty headed by Arthur S. Tompkins, Justice of the Supreme Court and Grand Master of the Masonic Order of the State of New York. Beginning at breakfast time the members of the Sertell Prentice, who has just recommittee began a telephone canvass of the Reformed Church.

### SOVIET PLANS LINE TO UNITED STATES

Negotiators Consider Use of Russian Volunteer Fleet for Service.

service between the United States and Russia. Ships of the Russian Volunteer Fleet Association probably will be used to transport emigrants from Russia to

Fleet Association probably will be used to transport emigrants from Russla to British Channel ports, connecting there with one of the transatlantic lines. Charles Recht, attorney representing the Soviet authorities, with offices at 110 West Fortieth street, admitted that the negotiations are under way, but said they are in the preliminary stage. He would make no furtherf statement.

The Russian Volunteer Fleet Association before the war was operating a few ships from time to time in a direct transatlantic service. The fleet is almost intact, but is only partly in Soviet hands, as some of the ships were seized in foreign ports or commandeered during the war, and are bound up in international litigations. Lloyd's Register for 1920-21 gave the fleet of the association as twenty-six ships, aggregating 78,600 gross tons.

Travelers to or from Russia usually go by way of Libau on the Baltic, proceeding by train to Petrograd, Mascow or other internal points. The movement eastward is very small, but a large number of emigrants from the south of Russia drift through Poland and the

umber of emigrants from the south of itussia drift through Poland and the small Baltic States to ship for more prosperous fields. The Soviet Govern-ment is understood to be desirous of stimulating emigration and believes that

stimulating emigration and believes that the establishment of passenger sailings out of Petrograd will be of considerable assistance in this connection.

The big problem confronting Russia and other north and central European countries which desire to encourage emigration, steamship men say, is one of finance. The number of workmen and peasants with enough property or depreciated currency to purchase even peasants with enough property or de-preciated currency to purchase even third class passage is so small as to be

WAITS ON SUBSIDY BILL.

to Be Settled Now.

mediate consideration."

Shipping Board will make no further move to settle the Colombian control tresponding to the control of the control o

### **BIG MERCHANTS FORM** A BANKRUPTCY BUREAU

tion: Allen R. Memhari, counset of the Merchants Protective Association; John J. Murphy, former Tenement House Commissioner. The committee will meet next week to organize, appoint a secretary and en-

### DOCKMEN RETURNING.

Meeting Discusses Labor Shortage

A meeting of steamship officials and A meeting of steamship officials and representatives of the International Longshoremen's Association was held yesterday at 8 Bridge street to consider the question of a shortage of longshore-men on the Hoboken docks raised by ome of the transatlantic lines.

### MARINE NEWS NOTES.

Three contracts for Great Lakes freighters have been placed. The To-ledo Shipbuilding Company will build for the Huron Transportation Company of Marine City, Mich., a steel steamer 334 feet long, and the Great Lakes Engineering Works. Detroit, Mich., will construct two steel Diesel electric freighters, each about 258 feet in length, for the McDougall Terminal Warehouse Company of Duluth, Minn. All will be built to the classification of the American Bureau of Shipping. Three contracts for Great Lakes

William J. Love, general manager of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, announced yesterday that he has written to the United Fruit Company that the Shipping Board will make no further move to settle the Colombian controversy until the subsidy bill has been disposed of by Congress.

Karl Klogstadt, managing director of the S. O. Stray Steamship Company, who recently arrived in New York, had a talk yesterday with traffic officials of the Shipping Board. The Stray Line has refused to enter the East Coast South America Conference and has held itself in an independent position on rates. Mr. Klogstadt, indicated that

Legal and Business Notables Are to Expedite Justice.

The committee on bankruptcy, the appointment of which was recently ordered by the executive committee of the Merchants Association, has been appointed by President Lewis-E. Pierson as follows: J. Noble Hayes, chairman; George W. Wickersham, formerly Attorney-General of the United States Samuel Seabury, formerly Justice of the Supreme Court; Clarence J. Shearn; James W. Gerard, formerly Justice of the Supreme Court; Walter Bennett, vice-president of the American Ex-James W. Gerard, formerly Justice of the Supreme Court; Walter Bennett, vice-president of the American Ex-change National Bank; Herbert P. Howell of Pelerls, Buhler & Co.; Theodore F. Whitmarsh of Francis H. Leggett & Co.; Robert H. Mont-omery of Lybrand, Ross Brothers & Montgomery; J. L. Medier, president of the New York Credit Men's Associa-tion; Allen R. Memhard, counsel of the Merchants Protective Association; John

at Hoboken.

some of the transatiantic lines.

Joseph D. Ryan, president of the association, told the shipping men that a large number of longshoremen had left the docks because or better opportunities in the building trades, but that they rapidly are returning. He promised assistance in relieving the situation.

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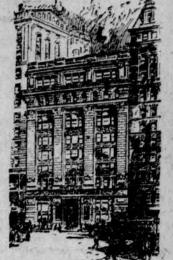
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